

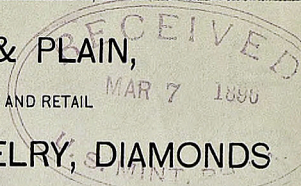
GALESBURG, ILL., *Mar 4* 1896To *N. S. Mint**Philadelphia**Pa*

TRASK &amp; PLAIN,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

WATCHES, JEWELRY, DIAMONDS

NO. 2 EAST MAIN STREET.



*Gentlemen, Yours of 28<sup>th</sup> of Feb at hand in regard to our old gold sent you Feb 17<sup>th</sup> and of which you sent us returns for Feb 20<sup>th</sup> and in making out your report you let us with 13.10 of.*

*We are sure we put in the Pkg when it left us 14.90 of or 14 of 18 dwts thus making the amt of gold short 36 dwts from what you give us for. You also say the seals of the Pkg were in good condition. Will you please let us know if you have the seals and if they are of our stamp T & P. or if from the Exp Co. We ~~do not~~ feel like having to stand the loss of the 36 dwts if the*

Edw be we to blame for it.

Please let us know if you have the  
wrapper and seals to our Pkg. and how  
stampful and oblig.

Yours Truly  
Zerk & Plain

Frank & Merwin  
Spokane, Idaho  
Inquire about best of price  
but by ship, weight 75.00  
Spokane, Idaho  
a delivery —

MAR 21 1896  
793 1/2  
MINT OF U.S.  
PHILADELPHIA.



## U. S. Treasury Department.

Wm. H. B. Philada.

Referring to the inquiry as to the seals upon deposit of Messrs. Frank & Plam of Feb. 17. ult., I can only say that the seals were broken by the agent of the Express Company in presence of several persons, but beyond being noted as intact when delivered, any letter on seal, if any there were, escaped notice. The Express agent did not keep the wax impressions and has no recollection of any letters on the seals.

The Wm. H. B. Philada, as stated in the Memorandum, represents the exact amount of the deposit as it was delivered to us.

Trask & Plain,  
Watches, Jewelry, Diamonds  
Galesburg, Ill.,  
March 4, 1896

To U.S. Mint  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen,

Yours of 28th of Feb. at hand in regard to our old gold sent you Feb. 17th and of which you sent us returns for Feb. 20th and in making out your report you left us with 13.10 oz. We are sure we put in the pkg when it left us 14.90 oz or 14 oz 18 dwts thus making the amt of gold short 36 dwts from what you give us lr. for. You also say the seals of the pkg were in good condition. Will you please let us know if you have the seals and if they are of our stamp T & P or if from the exp co. We do not feel like having to stand the loss of the 36 dwts if the exp. co. are to blame for it. Please let us know if you have the wrapper and seals to our pkg. and how stamped and oblige.

Yours truly,  
Trask & Plain

[Enclosed note:]

U.S. Treasury Department.  
Mint U.S. Philada.

Referring to the inquiry as to the seals upon deposit of Messrs. Trask & Plain of Feb. 17 ult. I can only say that the seals were broken by the agent of the Express Company in presence of several persons, but beyond being noted as intact when delivered, any letters on seals, if any there were, escaped notice. The Express agent did not keep the wax impressions and has no recollection of any letters on the seals.

The Mint weight, as stated in the memorandum, represents the exact amount of the deposit as it was delivered to us.